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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

YOSHIMURA, et al.

Group Art Unit: 2832

Serial No.: 10/068,970

Examiner: Lincoln D. DONOVAN

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For: RARE EARTH METAL-BASED PERMANENT MAGNET, AND PROCESS FOR
PRODUCING THE SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: February 14, 2005

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 13, 2004, for one month from January 13, 2005 to February 13, 2005.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$120.00, to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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